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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

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1. (Currently amended) A software delivery system comprising:
a digital storage device containing ~~a control module and~~ at least one software product, said software product having been assigned a unique identifier; and
a computer system, said computer system having a drive for reading data stored on said digital storage device, a processor, a hard drive and a non-volatile memory, said computer system storing at least one identifier corresponding to the Identifier of said software product in said non-volatile memory;
whereby when said digital storage device is read by said drive, ~~said control module leads onto said hard drive~~ the software product having an identifier which corresponds to the at least one identifier stored in the non-volatile memory is loaded onto said computer system.
 2. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said non-volatile memory may be updated to include additional identifiers.
 3. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said non-volatile memory is read-only memory.
 4. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 wherein said identifier in said non-volatile memory is encrypted.
 5. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 2 further comprising an update module for updating said non-volatile memory to include additional identifiers.

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6. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 1 further comprising a serial number stored in said computer system.
7. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 6 wherein said serial number is stored in said non-volatile memory of said computer system.
8. (Currently amended) A software delivery system comprising:
a digital storage device containing ~~a control module and~~ a plurality of software modules containing at least one software product in each of said modules, each of said software modules having been assigned a unique identifier; and
a computer system, said computer system having a drive for reading data stored on said digital storage device, a processor, a hard drive and a non-volatile memory, said computer system storing at least one identifier in said non-volatile memory which corresponds to at least one identifier of said software modules;
whereby when said digital storage device is read by said drive, ~~said control module loads onto said hard drive the~~ at least one software product from the software module having an identifier which corresponds to the identifier stored in the non-volatile memory in loaded onto of said computer system.
9. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said non-volatile memory may be updated to include additional identifiers.
10. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said non-volatile memory is read-only-memory.
11. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 wherein said identifier in said non-volatile memory is encrypted.

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12. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 9 further comprising an update module for updating said non-volatile memory to include additional identifiers.

13. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 8 further comprising a serial number stored in said computer system.

14. (Original) The software delivery system as recited in Claim 13 wherein said serial number is stored in said non-volatile memory of said computer system.

15. (Currently amended) A process for facilitating a delivery of custom-ordered software products to a computer system, said computer system having a processor, a digital storage drive, a hard disk, and a non-volatile memory, said process comprising the steps of:

writing a set of software products onto a digital storage device, said set of software products containing at least the custom-ordered software products;

assigning a unique identifier for each software product in said digital storage device;

writing the identifier of said custom-ordered software products into the non-volatile memory of said computer system;

inserting said digital storage device into said digital storage drive;

reading said identifier in said non-volatile memory of said computer system;

comparing said identifier in said non-volatile memory with said identifier of the customer-ordered software products; and

installing the custom-ordered software products onto the hard disk of the computer system only if the identifier in said non-volatile matches the identifier of the customer-ordered software products.

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16. (Currently amended) The method as recited in Claim 15 wherein said set of software products is written onto said digital storage device before said custom-ordered software is ordered by a customer.

17. (Currently amended) The method as recited in Claim 15 further comprising the step of testing the set of software products before it is written onto said digital storage device.

18. (Original) The method as recited in Claim 15 wherein said identifier in said non-volatile memory is encrypted.

19. (Currently amended) The method as recited in Claim 15 further comprising the step of checking a serial number of said computer system before executing said step of writing the identifier of said custom-ordered software products into the non-volatile memory of said computer system.

20. (New) A system, comprising:
a processor;
storage coupled to the processor and containing a plurality of software identifiers;
wherein said system is adapted to receive a removable storage device containing software products, each software product having an associated software identifier that is unique to each software product; and
wherein the processor is adapted to install software products from the removable storage device that have software identifiers that match software identifiers stored in the system's storage, but not install those software products from the removable storage device that do not have software identifiers that match software identifiers stored in the system's storage.

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21. (New) The system of claim 20 wherein the processor compares the software identifiers stored on the removable storage device to the software identifiers stored in the system storage.

22. (New) The system of claim 20 wherein the processor is adapted to a execute a program that causes the processor to store additional software identifiers in the system's storage that were previously not stored in the system's storage.

23. (New) The system of claim 22 wherein the additional software identifiers allows installation of at least one previously unavailable software product stored on the removable storage device.

24. (New) A method, comprising:
comparing an identifier stored in a memory with identifiers of a plurality of software products;
installing each software product in a computer system only if the identifier of the software product matches an identifier stored in the memory; and
after said installing each software product, adding one or more identifiers into the memory.

25. (New) The method of claim 24 further comprising comparing a serial number of the computer system with a serial number provided by a user and only said adding one or more identifiers into the memory if the serial numbers match.